

WØMTL — **Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News** — WØKEM  
**SEPTEMBER 2016**



**2016 HARC OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT: DON VARY, KDØHHN -- V-PRES: ED TURNER, NØWNV**  
**TREASURER: LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO**  
**SECRETARY: DAVE MILAM, KBØRZN**  
**TRUSTEE: CLIFF AHRENS, KØCA**  
**EDITOR: BONNIE SINCLAIR, WBØWAP**

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**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: NOTE NEW MEETING PLACE**

**Wednesday – September 14, 2016 at 7:00 PM**

**H.A.R.C. NEW, PERMANENT MEETING LOCATION**

***MARION COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 142 JAYCEE DRIVE, HANNIBAL, MISSOURI***

Driving Directions (From the South): Route 61 into the city. Continue past the turn off for **MODOT offices**. The next Left is **Clinic Road (Poage Jeep/Chrysler)**. Turn Left onto Clinic Road and continue to the intersection of Communication Drive. Turn Left onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

(From the North/East/West): Route 61 south to **Clinic Road (Right turn just past Wendy's)**. Turn right onto Clinic Road and go to intersection of **Communication Drive**. Turn Right onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

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### **MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – AUGUST 2016**

05 KDØYTH STEVE  
 12 WB2UFO LARRY  
 19 KB9VIS BRIAN  
 26 WØPGL TONY

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### **SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2016**

#### **DATES FOR 2016: October 12**

Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at [kb0wil@arrl.net](mailto:kb0wil@arrl.net) or 573-221-2429.

The 2016 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

#### **WALK INS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

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### **HARC CLUB DUES:**

**HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!**



## **HARC MINUTES FOR AUGUST, 2016 MEETING**



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

### **Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes August 10th, 2016**

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:00pm with 23 people present including 4 guests. After introductions, Don stated that Elizabeth Stone joined the club last month, and she, Kenny Franklin and Rocky Shrum had completed the recent Technician Class, and will be testing next Saturday. Don inquired if there were any proposals for membership, hearing none he asked if everyone had read the minutes for July. Cliff (K0CA) requested to add a note to the minutes, clarifying an item discussed at last month's meeting. The Club Contacts he had reported on were only for Logbook of the World. Cliff stated that J.D. (W0AJD) had reminded him that in 2008 he had worked all 50 states and had received an All States Certificate for the club. A copy of the All States Certificate was passed around at the meeting. Don asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Ed (K9WAY) motioned to accept, and it was seconded by Luan (KA9WAY). The motion carried.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Larry (WB2UFO) was not present at the meeting, so Dave (KB0RZN) read the Treasurer's report for July 2016. Last month's ending Balance was \$903.20, this month's ending Balance is \$1140.42, and the CD Balance is \$1,323.30, making the Total Assets \$2,463.72. A motion to accept was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried.

### **REPEATERS:**

Don (KD0HHN) stated that no one had reported any problems with either machine.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Don mentioned the upcoming testing August 13th in Quincy, and the Quincy Hamfest starting at 8:00 am until noon. Information is on the Quincy Club website <http://www.w9awe.org>.

Don reminded everyone that Bonnie (WB0WAP) has asked to have someone else take over writing the newsletter. If interested, please contact Bonnie. Discussion followed concerning the newsletter requirement. Cliff (K0CA) stated that it apparently is not a formal ARRL requirement to have a Club Newsletter, but is considered good practice. Cliff made a motion that the Club go on record thanking Bonnie for her many years of service as Newsletter Editor. The motion was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried. Thanks Bonnie! Discussion followed concerning newsletter options, Cliff offered to help convert the information into a PDF file, and Luan (KA9WAY) proffered the idea that whoever took over the newsletter could use a design of their choosing.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**The Missouri Repeater Council** meeting will be held Saturday, August 27th. Don inquired if anyone was planning on going to represent the Club, but reminded us if anything important happens, they usually send an email. Nixa Amateur Radio Club's 3rd annual NARCfest will be held November 5th. Speakers will be Bob Heil, Cecil Higgins concerning Joplin, and they will be doing testing at 9:30am. There will also be various vendors. Don will furnish more information when the event gets a little closer.

**The Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS)** will be holding a nationwide drill August 15th. Don stated they usually use HF for the exercise, but this year they want to test their capabilities on VHF/UHF. If anyone wants to participate, contact Don.

**August 24th is the New Madrid Mass Care Exercise. SEMA** will have the radio room in operation from 8:00am to 10:00am to take reports. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

### **NOVEMBER 9, 2016: GLENN SCHULZ (W9IQ) THE MISSOURI SECTION TECHNICAL COORDINATOR FOR ARRL WILL BE GIVING A PRESENTATION,**

#### **"Understanding SWR and Feed Line loss"**

Don reminded everyone to try to attend the November 9th meeting. Glenn Schulz (W9IQ) the Missouri Section Technical Coordinator for ARRL will be here presenting a class. Don had contacted him and he will make a presentation on "Understanding SWR and Feed Line loss". Feel free to spread the word, the presentation is open to anyone, not just HARC members. Don said he would notify the Pittsfield and Quincy Clubs.

We hope to have additional speakers and presentations throughout the year.

Ed (N0WNV) brought four raffle tickets from the St. Charles Club to be raffled off at our Club. They will hold their Hamfest Sunday the 14th. First prize is \$300, second is \$200 and third is \$100. Ed will attend the raffle, and see if any of our local Club members won.

Don stated that Chet (W0CCR) is now a V.E. Congratulations Chet on your recent Extra ticket and V.E. designation!

The Club would like to say Happy Birthday to Carol (WA9EFV) celebrating today the 10th, and Mel (KC0HYY) tomorrow the 11th! And, Bonnie (WB0WAP) and J.D. (W0AJD) are celebrating their 43rd anniversary! Congratulations to ALL!

J.D. (W0AJD) reminisced the LST 325 being docked in Hannibal in August of 2008. The Hannibal Amateur Radio Club was given the honor of operating the radio room on ham frequencies. Discussion followed concerning QSO cards, certificates, old radios, and if the LST 325 might be planning another visit to Hannibal.

### **50/50 DRAWING**

The 50/50 was won by Tony (W0PGL). Tony donated it back to the Club. Thanks, Tony!

### **St. Charles Hamfest Raffle Tickets Winners:**

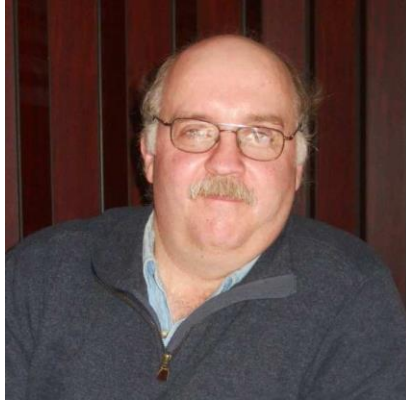
John (KC9MMO), Dave (KB0RZN), Cliff (K0CA) Cliff put the Clubs name on his ticket, and Ed (K9WAY).

Don asked for a motion to adjourn. Steve (KD0YTH) made the motion, and it was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried.

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**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**  
**BY DON VARY KDØHHN**



First off, I would like to congratulate the seven new Technician license holders in the area. As you may know, we recently ran a Technician class over three Saturday's in July and August and finished with the testing at the Quincy Hamfest. According to Cliff, KØCA, the exam session was one of the biggest he had seen in a while. All total, there were 12 people who passed the test, with 7 of them from our class. Now we are working on getting a General class going, as I know there are a couple from it who want to go General, as well as several currently licensed Techs. Hopefully this is the start of a trend to not only get more people on the air, but also interested in the club as well.

Mark your calendar. At the November 9th meeting, we will have Glenn Schulz, who is the Missouri ARRL Technical Coordinator, presenting the topic "Understanding SWR and Feedline Loss." Glenn emailed me about himself and his position, part of which is providing speakers and/or technical subjects for radio club meetings. I have sent invitations for this to both the Quincy and Pittsfield clubs for their members to attend, and if you know of any amateurs who might be interested, bring them along, The more the merrier. This also could be something to look at for future meetings as well.

As I mentioned at the last meeting, Bonnie Sinclair, WBØWAP, has been asked to be relieved as editor of the club newsletter. The consensus of the club is that the newsletter provides a vital niche in the club, especially for those who cannot make the meetings, or are interested in DX. Anyone who might be interested in taking this position, please let Bonnie know and she will help you get set up for it.

Please keep John Allen, NØJA in your thoughts. Their home in Louisiana had some flood damage from all of the rains and flooding that have been going on down there. I'm not sure how severe the damage is, but dealing with that happening is never easy, especially when Mother Nature is involved.

Well, I guess that's all for now. Hope everyone enjoys the weather and stay safe.

Catch you down the log

73 Don KDØHHN

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Just to let all of you know: Larry Lauer (WB2UFO) has been through some tough times, health wise, lately. He is now at home recuperating, as he is supposed to be doing bedrest for a while. We want to tell him we miss him, and want him to get better fast. Send him a card, and let him know that we care, and are thinking of him.

**Bonnie, WBØWAP**

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**DX FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK  
BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO**



Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

**Hello again Fellow DX'ers Here is our September report**

I am feeling a bit better today and would rather work on this than look at the ceiling of my bedroom one more hour.

I will put this together in a quick and dirty style. It will come from only one source. (I usually collate as many sources as I can find. and weed out duplicates)

I usually try to keep with in a date range that makes some kind of sense..

But at least this will fill a page in a newsletter and give some people something to look for on the air.

73 All Larry WB2UFO

The days are getting shorter, the mornings darker. The Bands should look good this month. Let us see what we can find.



**FIRST, SOME VERY INTERESTING NEWS:****Dayton Hamvention 2017 News Update**

The Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA) regrets to inform our many vendors, visitors and stakeholders that, unfortunately, HARA has announced the closing of their facility. We have begun execution of our contingency plan to move Hamvention 2017 to a new home.

DARA and Hamvention have enjoyed many successful years working together with HARA Arena and we wish the Wampler family the best.

DARA and Hamvention have been working on a contingency plan in the event HARA would become unavailable. We have spent many hours over the last few years evaluating possible locations and have found one in the area we believe will be a great new home! Due to logistics and timing issues, we will make a formal announcement introducing our new partner. This information will be coming soon. We all believe this new venue will be a spectacular place to hold our beloved event. Please rest assured we will have the event on the same weekend and, since it will be in the region, the current accommodations and outside events already planned for Hamvention 2017 should not be affected.

We look forward to your continued support as we move to a new future with The Dayton Hamvention.

Ron Cramer  
General Chairman  
Dayton Hamvention 2017

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**Message #2**  
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Hamvention has announced that Hara Arena, the home of Hamvention since 1964, is closing. Hamvention 2017 will be held at a new location in the Dayton area, yet to be disclosed. The Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA) regrets to inform our many vendors, visitors and stakeholders that, unfortunately, HARA has announced the closing of their facility, a news release from Hamvention General Chair Ron Cramer, KD8ENJ, said today (July 29). We have begun execution of our contingency plan to move Hamvention 2017 to a new home. DARA and Hamvention have enjoyed many successful years working together with HARA Arena and we wish the Wampler family the best.●

According to Cramer, DARA and Hamvention have been working on a contingency plan in the event that the deteriorating Hara Arena ever should become unavailable. We have spent many hours over the last few years evaluating possible locations and have found one in the area we believe will be a great new home!● The announcement said that DARA and Hamvention expect to make a formal announcement soon introducing our new partner.●

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A hockey teams cancellation of its upcoming season earlier this month had raised questions about the future availability of Hara Arena for Hamvention. Hara Arena has been facing long-standing financial problems " including unpaid property taxes. Renovations promised for the 2016 Hamvention never materialized.

Hamvention attracted more than 25,000 visitors this spring and is worth millions of dollars to the Dayton area economy.

The Wampler family has owned and operated Hara Arena since its humble origins in the 1950s, when Wampler Ballarena " then a dance hall and now an exhibit hall familiar to Hamvention visitors " was built in what had been a family-owned orchard.

### **NOW ON TO SOME DX**



3B8, MAURITIUS (6m Op!). Bernie, ZS4TX, will be active as 3B8TX from the northwest coast of Mauritius [LG89sx] between September 16-19th, as part of a short visit to the island and a 6m EME DXpedition. The callsign 3B8TX was allocated by ICTA. Bernie states, "Mauritius is not rare in Europe on 6m. My operation will favor NA/SA moonrise and ZL/VK moonset. Please send me an E-mail for any special time/skeds that may not be covered in the proposed time frames. I will also be running a beacon during the daytime looking for possible Tropo openings towards Africa. Equipment: IC-7100 and 6M8GJ. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or direct to his home callsign.

5H, TANZANIA. Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, will once again be active as 5H3DX from Zinga, Tanzania, between October 20th and November 12th. Activity will be from the pediatric hospital at Zinga. Usual operations will be holiday style. Power output will be the legal limit for Tanzania at 100w and the primary antenna should be a Hexbeam configured for 20-6 meters, including the WARC bands. Operations will be primarily CW. He states that he will use a simple wire antenna and his KX3 with a KXPA100 amp. QSL via EA7FTR, LoTW and eQSL.

7P, LESOTHO (Press Release, date August 18th) [edited]. Pista, HA5AO, will operate as 7P8AO from Lesotho between October 15-29th. The primary purpose of the trip is to deliver humanitarian aid and support to an orphanage. At his own expense Pista is supplying clothing, shoes and school supplies to the children. This will be his third visit to Lesotho to work with the children. When not at the orphanage, Pista will be operating mainly CW, on 80-6 meters. Log search and OQRS will be available on <www.ha5ao.com>. Please QSL to HA5AO.

D44, CAPE VERDE. Ralf, DK8FA, will once again be active as D44TUJ from Boa Vista Island (AF-086) between September 15-29th. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters using the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL, No LoTW!

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Kasimir/DL2SBY and Henry, SP2FOV, will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between September 11-18th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to use different antennas, Spiderbeam, verticals and a Delta Loop. Their equipment will be TS-2000, FT-900AT and amplifier ICOM 1010 with about 700 watts. QSL HB0/DL2SBY via DL2SBY, direct or the OQRS (Bureau/direct) via ClubLog ONLY. Do not send your QSL via the Bureau! QSL HB0/SP2FOV via SP2FOV, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or ClubLog.

MD, ISLE OF MAN. A German group will be active as MD/homecall from the Isle of Man (EU-116) between September 23rd and October 4th. Operators mentioned are Heiko DL1RTL, Gunter/DL2AWG, Dietmar/DL2HWA, Georg/DL4SVA, Olaf/DL7JOM, Rolf/DL7VEE and Wolf/DM2AUJ. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be 2x K3, KPA 500, into Spiderbeams and Verticals. QSL via their home callsigns, direct, by the Bureau, ClubLog's OQRS or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: <http://md.mydx.de>

73 and good hunting  
Until next month

Larry  
WB2UFO

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